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SUBJECT: EEC REGULATIONS ON DISTILLED SPIRITS

FOR USEC

- 1. THE DISTILLED SPIRITS COUNCIL OF THE U.S. (DISCUS)
 HAS REQUESTED DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE IN VERIFYING
 POSSIBLE CHANGES IN EEC REGULATIONS ON DISTILLED SPIRITS
 WHICH MAY HAVE IMPACT ON U.S. EXPORTS OF THESE PRODUCTS.
- 2. DISCUS HAS HEARD THAT THE EEC IS CONSIDERING (1) ADOPTING DEFINITIONS FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF DISTILLED SPIRITS WHICH MAY RESULT IN DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NON-MALT WHISKIES, AND (2) ADOPTING A SYSTEM OF PARTIAL INGREDIENTS LABELING FOR LIQUORS. UNDER A PARTIAL INGREDIENTS LABELUNCLASSIFIED

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ING SYSTEM, AT LEAST SOME OF THE CONTENTS IN A BOTTLE OF LIQUOR WOULD HAVE TO BE LISTED ON THE LABEL. BOTH OF THESE ACTIONS COULD AFFECT U.S. EXPORTS OF DISTILLED SPIRITS.

3. MISSION IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE EEC OFFICIALS TO VERIFY WHETHER SUCH ACTIONS ARE, IN FACT, BEING

PLANNED. REPORT ON MISSION'S FINDINGS AND ADVICE ON BEST METHOD FOR U.S. INDUSTRY TO COMMENT ON PROPOSED EEC ACTIONS IS REQUESTED.

4. FYI - POSSIBLE CONTACT MAY BE MR. ANTHONY KINCH, DIVISION OF FOODSTUFFS, DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR INTERNAL MARKETS AND GENERAL AFFAIRS, BRUSSELS. CHRISTOPHER

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